# An A-Z Guide to the Residential Certificate **Child Care Rules**

Important Note: This guide is prepared for providers' convenience. It in no way replaces the actual Administrative Rules for child care providers. To reference the Administrative Rules used to create this guide, see the reference number at the far right after each item. To download a copy of the rules, go to: http://health.utah.gov/licensing/rules.htm

## **ABUSE & NEGLECT**

See "Administration" 6; "Background Screening" 1; "Child Health" 1; "Child Discipline" 4; "Personnel" 3.B, 4.C, 6.G

ACTIVITIES	
<ol> <li>The certificate holder must offer daily activities to support each child's healthy physical, social-emotional, and cognitive-language development. The toys and materials needed to carry out the activities must be accessible to the children.</li> </ol>	50-20(1)-(2)
<ul> <li>2. If off-site activities are offered, the following applies: <ul> <li>A. The certificate holder must get parental permission for off-site activities, prior to the activity.</li> <li>B. The certificate holder must accompany the children on the off-site activity, and must take a copy of each child's admission form with them.</li> <li>C. The requirements for provider to child ratios and direct supervision must be</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	50-20(3)
maintained during the activity.  3. If off-site swimming activities are offered, a provider must remain at the pool with the children, and lifeguards and pool staff cannot be counted in the provider to child ratio.  See Also "Infection Control" 12.D; "Supervision of Children" 2	50-20(4)

#### ADMINISTRATION

1.	The certificate holder is ultimately responsible for all aspects of the child care provided, and for complying with all laws and rules related to operating a child care program.	50-8(1)-(2)
2.	The certificate holder cannot engage in or allow conduct that endangers the children in	50-8(3)-(4)
	care.	
3.	Either the certificate holder or a substitute with authority to act on behalf of the certificate holder must always be present whenever children are in care. The certificate holder must be present at least 50% of the time care is provided.	50-8(5)-(6)
4.	There must be a working telephone in the home, and the certificate holder must notify the Bureau and the children's parents if the phone number changes.	50-8(7)

18 December 2008 Page 1 of 25 5. The certificate holder must notify the Bureau verbally (within 24 hours) and in writing (within five days) whenever there is a child death, or any or incident that results in a child having to get medical treatment.
6. The certificate holder is responsible for training and supervising all providers to make sure they comply with the rules and meet children's needs, including making sure that children are not abused while in care.

#### ADMISSION FORM, CHILD

See "Activities" 2.B; "Records" 1.A; "Transportation" 2.B

#### AGE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROVIDERS

See "Personnel" 2

#### **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

See "Child Health" 2; "Injury Prevention" 2.B

#### **ALLERGIES**

See "Child Health" 3.B

#### ANIMAL EXCREMENT

See "Outdoor Environment" 4

#### **ANIMALS**

1.	Parents must be informed of the types of animals permitted on the certificate holder's property.	50-22(1)
2.	All animals on the premises that are accessible to children must be clean and free of obvious disease or health problems that could harm children, and must have current vaccinations.	50-22(2)
3.	There cannot be any animals on the premises that have a history of dangerous, attacking, or aggressive behavior, including a history of biting even one person.	50-22(3)
4.	Children cannot assist with the cleaning of animal cage, pens, or equipment.	50-22(4)
5.	Animals and animal equipment cannot be present in food preparation or eating areas during meal preparation or eating times.	50-22(5)
6.	Children may not handle reptiles or amphibians. For example, frogs, toads, salamanders, lizards, iguanas, snakes, and turtles.	50-22(6)
Se	e Also "Infection Control" 12.B, 12.C; "Outdoor Environment" 4; "Records" 2.B	

#### ANNUAL TRAINING

See "Personnel" 3, 7.B; "Records" 3.C

### ATTENDANCE, ATTENDANCE RECORDS

See "Child Security" 2, 3

#### **BABIES**

See "Personnel" 3.E, 6.I; "Infant & Toddler Care"

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#### **BABY FOOD**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 8.F, 8.G, 8.H

#### **BACKGROUND SCREENING**

1. Everyone age 12 and older who lives in the Certificate holder's home, all providers, and all volunteers must pass an initial and annual criminal and child abuse background screening.

6-5(1) & (3)

2. Individuals who do not pass the background screening may not reside in the home or provide care to children. 6-6(1)-(2)

See Also "Personnel" 4.C; "Records" 2.G, 2.H

#### **BALLOONS**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.I

#### **BATHROOMS**

See "Indoor Environment" 2; "Infection Control" 8, 10; "Injury Prevention" 1.E

#### **BEHAVIOR, CHILDREN'S**

See "Child Discipline"

#### **BODY FLUIDS**

See "Cleaning" 4; "Infection Control" 11, 12.B, 12.C; "Personnel" 6.F

#### **BOTTLES, INFANT & TODDLER**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 8.C, 8.G.ii, 8.J; "Infection Control" 12.B

#### **CAR KEYS**

See "Transportation" 2.F

#### **CAR SEATS**

See "Transportation" 1.B, 2.C

#### **CARS**

See "Child Health" 2; "Transportation" 1

#### CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT

See "Administration" 6; "Background Screening" 1; "Child Discipline" 4; "Child Health" 1; "Personnel" 3.B, 4.C, 6.G

#### CHILD DISCIPLINE

1. The Certificate holder must inform all providers, parents, and children of the his or her behavioral expectations for children.

2. Positive discipline methods that providers may use include (but are not limited to): positive reinforcement, redirection, and setting clear limits that promote a child's ability to become self-disciplined.

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3. Providers may use passive, gentle restraint with a child, but only when it is needed to stop 50-19(3) the child from injuring himself or herself or others, or from destroying property. 4. Providers may not ever use any of the following discipline measures: 50-19(4) A. Any form of corporal punishment such as hitting, spanking, shaking, biting, pinching, 50-2(4) or any other measure that produces physical pain or discomfort. B. Restraining a child's movement by binding, tving, or any other form of restraint that exceeds that specified in #3 above. C. Shouting at a child. D. Any form of emotional abuse (for example: threatening, intimidating, humiliating, or demeaning a child; constant criticism; rejection; profane language; inappropriate physical restraint). E. Forcing or withholding of food, rest, or toileting. G. Confining a child in a closet, locked room, or other enclosure such as a box, cupboard, or cage. CHILD HEALTH 1. No child may be abused while in care, and all providers must follow the law for reporting 50-14(1)-(2) suspected abuse, neglect, and exploitation of children. 2. No one may use tobacco, alcohol, illegal substances, or sexually explicit material on the 50-14(3) premises while children are in care. This includes using any of these items in vehicles used to transport children. 3. Children cannot be admitted for care without both of the following: 50-14(4)-(7) A. Documentation that they are current on their immunizations, or that they have at least one dose of each vaccine and are following a schedule to get caught up. Or, they must have documentation of a legally valid exemption. B. Written health information which includes: allergies and food sensitivities; any medical conditions; any instructions for special health care; current medications; and any other special health instructions for the Certificate holder. This information must be reviewed and initialed annually by the parent. See Also "Records" 1.A, 1.B **CHILD NUTRITION** 1. Menus must be placed where parents can see them. For example, posted on a bulletin 50-15(1) board parents can see, or placed in a sign-in book. 3. Children must be offered a meal or snack at least once every three hours. 50-15(2) 4. Children's food must be served on dishes, napkins, or high chair trays, or handed directly 50-15(3) to children. Food cannot be placed on a bare table. 5. Food brought from home for a child must be labeled with the child's name, and 50-15(4) refrigerated if needed. See Also "Animals" 5; "Infant & Toddler Care" 8 CHILD SECURITY

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50-13(2)

50-13(3)

1. Whenever their child is in care, parents must have access to those areas of the home and

outdoor yard that are used for child care.

2. The Certificate holder must keep a daily attendance record.

3. The Certificate holder cannot allow anyone to pick up a child without written permission from the parent. In an emergency, the Certificate holder can accept verbal permission, if they can confirm the identity of the person giving the permission and the person picking up the child.

50-13(4)

#### **CHOKING HAZARDS**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 8.F; "Injury Prevention" 2.I, 2.J

#### **CIGARETTE LIGHTERS**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.F

#### **CIGARETTES**

See "Child Health" 2; "Injury Prevention" 2.B

#### **CLEANING**

<ol> <li>The home must be clean (except for normal daily messes), and free of insects and rodents.</li> </ol>	50-5(1)-(2)
2. All washable toys and materials must be cleaned and sanitized after each five days of use, or more often if needed.	50-16(7)
3. Stuffed animals, cloth dolls, dress-up clothes, and pillows (or pillow covers) must be machine washable, and washed after each five days of use, or more often if needed.	50-16(8)
4. All toys used by infants and toddlers must be cleaned and sanitized weekly, after being put in a child's mouth, and after being contaminated by any body fluid.	50-24(21)
See Also "Diapering" 2, 3.A, 4; "Infant & Toddler Care" 8.E; "Infection Control" 10, 11; "Injury	
Prevention" 2.D; "Personnel" 6.F; "Transportation" 1.C	

#### COMBS

See "Infection Control" 6

#### CORDS

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 9.C; "Injury Prevention" 2.H, 6

#### **CPR TRAINING**

See "Emergency Preparedness" 2; "Personnel" 5, 7.B; "Records" 3.D

#### CRIBS

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 1, 5, 9.B, 9.C

#### CRIMINAL RECORD

See "Background Screening"; "Personnel" 4.C; "Records" 2.G, 2.H;

#### **DEATH OF A CHILD**

See "Administration" 5

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#### DIAPERING

1.	Children cannot be diapered in food preparation or eating areas, directly on the floor, or on	50-23(1)-(2)
	any surface used for another purpose.	

2. The diapering surface must be smooth, clean, and in good repair (for example, no rips or tears).

50-23(3)

3. Providers must do the following when diapering a child:

50-23(4)-(6)

- A. The provider must either clean and sanitize the diapering surface after each diaper change, or else use a disposable, waterproof diapering surface that is thrown away after it is used once.
- B. The provider must wash his or her hands after each diaper change.
- C. The provider must place soiled diapers in a container with a disposable plastic lining and a tight fitting lid, or else place soiled diapers directly in an outdoor garbage container that has a tight fitting lid or is inaccessible to children.
- 4. Indoor containers for soiled diapers must be cleaned and sanitized daily.

50-23(7) 50-23(8)

- 5. If cloth diapers are used, they may not be rinsed at the Certificate holder's home, and soiled diapers must be placed directly into a leakproof container labeled with the child's name (or a diapering service container).
- 6. Each diapered child's diaper must be checked at least once every two hours, except that sleeping children's diapers can be checked when they wake up, if they sleep longer than two hours

50-23(9)

See Also "Infant & Toddler Care" 4; "Infection Control" 12.B; "Outdoor Environment" 10.A.ii

#### DISASTER DRILLS

See "Emergency Preparedness" 5; "Records" 2.A

#### DISCIPLINE

See "Child Discipline"

#### **DRIVER'S LICENSE**

See "Transportation" 2.A

#### DRUGS, ILLEGAL

See "Child Health" 2; "Injury Prevention" 2.B

#### **EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION**

See "Parent Notification" 3; "Records" 1.A;

#### **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

1.	Emergency numbers for ambulance, fire, police, and poison control, and the provider's	50-10(1)
	home address, must be posted near the telephone.	
2.	The Certificate holder, all substitutes who care for children an average of 10 hours per	50-7(3)
	week or more must have current first aid and CPR certification.	50-10 (2)
	See Also "Records" 3.D	
3.	There must be first aid supplies in the home, including at least band-aids, antiseptic, and	50-10(3)
	tweezers.	

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- 4. The certificate holder must have and, in the event of an emergency, follow an emergency 50-10(4)-(5) plan that includes the following topics.
  - A. How serious emergencies that require medical care will be handled.
  - B. The plan for responding to fire, earthquake, flood, power failure, and water failure.
  - C. The location and instructions for how to turn off gas, electricity, and water.
  - D. The plan for when a child is missing.
  - E. The name and phone number of an emergency substitute.
  - F. An emergency relocation site where children will be taken if the certificate holder's home is uninhabitable.
- 5. The certificate holder must conduct fire drills twice a year, and a disaster drill once a year. 50-10(6)-(10) The day and times the drills are held must be varied. Drills must be documented, including:
  - A. The kind of drill (fire or disaster).
  - B. The date and time of the drill.
  - C. The number of children who participated.
  - D. The total time it took to evacuate all of the children and providers from the home.
  - E. Any problems that occurred during the drill.

See Also "Records" 2.A

See Also "Personnel" 6.B

#### **EMERGENCY SUBSTITUTES**

See "Personnel" 2.A, 4

#### **ELECTRICAL OUTLETS**

See "Injury Prevention" 3

#### **EQUIPMENT, DANGEROUS**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 2; "Injury Prevention" 5; "Maintenance" 1, 3; "Napping" 3; "Outdoor Environment" 7, 8.A.ii, 9, 10, 11

#### **EQUIPMENT, INFANT & TODDLER**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 1, 2, 5, 8.D, 9.B, 9.C; "Maintenance" 1

#### **EQUIPMENT, OUTDOOR PLAY**

See "Maintenance" 3; "Outdoor Environment" 7, 9, 10, 11

#### **FEEDING CHILDREN**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 8; "Infection Control" 12.B; "Child Nutrition"

#### **FENCES**

See "Outdoor Environment" 8, 10.A.v, 10.B; "Supervision of Children" 1.C

#### **FIELD TRIPS**

See "Activities" 2, 3; "Infection Control" 12.D

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#### **FIRE DRILLS**

See "Emergency Preparedness" 4; "Records" 2.A

#### FIRE, FLAMES

See "Injury Prevention" 2.F

#### FIRE INSPECTION

See "Records" 2.F

### **FIREPLACES**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.C

#### **FIRST AID SUPPLIES**

See "Emergency Preparedness" 3

#### FIRST AID TRAINING

See "Emergency Preparedness" 2; "Personnel" 5, 7.B; "Records" 3.D

#### **FLAMMABLE SUBSTANCES**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.D

#### **FOOD**

See "Child Health" 3.B; "Child Discipline 4.E; "Child Nutrition"; "Infant & Toddler Care" 8; "Infection Control" 12.B; "Medication" 3

#### **FOOD PREPARATION**

See "Animals" 5; "Child Health" 3.B; "Diapering" 1; "Child Nutrition"; "Infant & Toddler Care" 8; "Infection Control" 12.B

#### FORMULA, INFANT

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 8.G,i, 8.H, 8.I

#### GARBAGE, GARBAGE CONTAINERS

See "Diapering" 3.C; "Outdoor Environment" 4

#### GLOVES, LATEX/WATERPROOF

See "Infection Control" 11.A, 11.E, 11.F: "Injury Prevention" 2.I

#### **HANDWASHING**

See "Diapering" 3.B; "Indoor Environment" 2; "Infection Control" 7, 11.G, 12; "Medication" 6.A

#### **HAZARDS**

#### **CHOKING HAZARDS**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 8.F; "Injury Prevention" 2.I, 2.J

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#### **SAFETY HAZARDS**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 2, 3, 6, 8.D, 8.F, 8.J, 9.B, 9.C, 9.D, 9.E; "Injury Prevention"; "Maintenance"; "Outdoor Environment" 2, 7.A, 9.C, 10, 11

#### STRANGULATION HAZARDS

See "Injury Prevention" 2.H; "Outdoor Environment" 9.C.ii

#### **TOXIC / HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.D; "Outdoor Environment" 3

#### TRIPPING HAZARDS

See "Injury Prevention" 6

#### WATER, HAZARDS

See "Injury Prevention" 3; "Outdoor Environment" 3, 8.A.iii, 10

#### **HEALTH INFORMATION, CHILDREN'S**

See "Child Health" 3.B; "Records" 1.A, 1.B

#### **HIGH CHAIRS**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 5, 8.D, 8.E; "Child Nutrition" 4

# **HOT TUBS**

See "Outdoor Environment" 10.B

#### **IMMUNIZATIONS**

See "Child Health" 3.A; "Records" 1.B

#### **INACCESSIBLE TO CHILDREN**

See "Diapering" 3.C; "Injury Prevention" 1, 2; "Medication" 3

#### INDOOR ENVIRONMENT

1.	If homes built before 1978 have flaking or peeling paint, they must be tested for lead. If lead is found, the situation must be corrected.	50-4(1)
2.	Non-diapered children must have access to a working toilet and handwashing sink, and school age children must have privacy when they use the bathroom.	50-4(2)-(3)
3.	To provide adequate ventilation, the home must have either mechanical ventilation (a furnace/heating system meets this requirement), or windows with screens that open.	50-4(4)
4.	The indoor temperature must be between 65 and 82 degrees.	50-4(5)
5.	The home must have adequate lighting.	50-4(6)
6.	For certificate holders who receive their initial certificate after 1 September 2008, there must be at least 35 square feet of space per child, for all children through age 12 present when care is provided.	50-4(7)-(9)
Se	e Also "Injury Prevention" 6	

# **INFANT & TODDLER CARE**

1.	Only one infant or toddler can occupy a piece of equipment (for example, a crib, playpen,	50-24(9)
	stroller, or swing), unless the equipment has individual seats for more than one child.	
2.	Infant walkers with wheels may not be used.	50-24(14)

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2	Inf	ants and toddlers may not have access to objects made of styrofoam.	50-24(15)
3. 4.		provider must respond as quickly as possible to infants and toddlers who are upset due	50-24(16)
٠.		conditions such as hunger, fatigue, wet or soiled diapers, fear, teething, or illness.	00 2 1(10)
5.	Aw pro	vake infants and toddlers must receive positive physical and verbal interactions with a povider at least once every 20 minutes, and may not be confined for more than 30 nutes in a piece of equipment (for example, a swing, high chair, crib, or play pen).	50-24(17)-(18)
6.		bile infants and toddlers must have freedom of movement in a safe area.	50-24(19)
7.	Th	ere must be safe toys accessible to infants and toddlers, and there must be enough	50-24(20)
0	•	rs for each child present to have a toy to play with.	
ð.		eding Infants & Toddlers	E0 24/12)
		Each infant and toddler must be allowed to follow his or her own pattern of eating.	50-24(13) 50-15(2)
		Children must be offered a meal or snack at least once every three hours.  Infants who cannot sit up and hold their own bottles must be held for bottle feeding.	50-13(2)
	C.	Bottles cannot be propped.	30-24(1)
	D.	High chairs must have T-straps or devices that are used whenever a child is in the	50-12(8)
		chair.	( )
	E.	High chair trays must be cleaned and sanitized before each use.	50-24(2)
	F.	To prevent choking, solid foods for infants must be cut into pieces no larger than 1/4	50-24(3)
		inch in diameter. Solid foods for toddlers must be cut into pieces no larger than 1/2	
		inch in diameter. (Examples of solid foods include hot dogs, meatballs, grapes,	
		cheese chunks, and fruit or vegetable chunks. Solid foods do not include foods such	
		as crackers, cookies, muffins, cupcakes, teething biscuits, ice cream cones, or sandwiches.)	
	G.	If there is more than one infant or toddler in care, the following rules apply:	
		<ul> <li>Baby food, formula, and breast milk that is brought from home must be labeled with the child's name, or another unique identifier.</li> </ul>	50-24(4)
		ii. Pacifiers and bottles must be labeled with each child's name or another unique	50-24(8)
		identifier, or else washed and sanitized after each individual use, before use by another child.	
	Н.	Baby food, formula, and breast milk that is brought from home must be kept	50-24(5)
		refrigerated if needed, and must be discarded within 24 hours of preparation or	
		mixing.	//->
	l.	Formula, milk, and breast milk must be discarded after each feeding, or within two hours of starting a feeding.	50-24(6)
	J.	Heated bottles must be shaken and tested for temperature before they are fed to a child.	50-24(7)
9.	Sle	eeping Infants & Toddlers	
		Each infant and toddler must be allowed to follow his or her own pattern of sleeping.	50-24(13)
	B.	Infants must sleep in equipment designed for sleeping. (For example, a crib,	50-24(10)
		bassinet, porta-crib, or play pen.) Infants may not be placed to sleep on mat or cots,	
		or in bouncers, swings, car seats, or other similar equipment, unless the Certificate	
		holder has written permission from the parent.	

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C.	Cribs used by children in care must: have a tight fitting mattress; have slats spaced no more than 2-3/8 inches apart; have at least 20 inches from the top of the mattress to the top of the crib rail, or at least 12 inches from the top of the mattress to the top of the crib rail if the child using the crib cannot sit up without assistance; and must not have strings, cords, or ropes strung on the crib rails or within reach of the child in the crib.	50-24(11)
D.	Infants may not be placed on their stomachs for sleeping, unless the parent provides written documentation from a doctor for treatment of a medical condition.	50-24(12)
E.	Sleeping infants under 1 year of age must be monitored by either using a sleep monitoring device approved by the Bureau, checking on them every 15 minutes, or sleeping them within sight and hearing of a provider.	50-11(1)

See Also "Cleaning" 4; "Personnel" 3.E, 6.I; "Ratios" 3

#### INFECTION CONTROL

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1.	Sick children must be separated from the other children in a safe, supervised location.	50-16(18)
2.	If a child becomes sick after arrival, the child's parents must be called and notified of the sickness.	50-16(19)
3.	If any child in care or any person in the home is ill with a communicable disease, or has a parasite (such as lice), the Certificate holder must notify the parents of every child in care. The parents must be notified the same day the illness or parasite is discovered.	50-16(20)
4.	All providers who care for children an average of 10 hours a week or more must have a TB test. The TB test must be done before licensure for the Certificate holder, and within two weeks of starting for substitutes. If the TB test is positive, there must be documentation of the reason for the positive reaction, whether the person is contagious, and how the person is being treated (if needed). People with contagious TB may not work with the children or be present while children are in care.	50-7(3) 50-16(10)-(12)
5.	If there is a medical reason why a provider cannot have a TB test, the Certificate holder must keep documentation of this from a health care provider.	50-16(13)
6.	Children's personal hygiene items (for example, toothbrushes, combs, and hair accessories) cannot be shared or used on more than one child, unless they are sanitized between each use. They must be stored so that they do not touch each other.	50-16(6)
7.	If water play tables or tubs are used, they must be washed and sanitized daily, and children must wash their hands before using them.	50-16(9)
8.	Toilet paper must be accessible to children, and must be kept on a dispenser.	50-16(4)
9.	If children have a toileting accident, their clothing must be changed promptly, and the wet/soiled clothing must either be washed and dried, or placed in a leakproof container labeled with the child's name and returned to the parent.	50-16(14)-(15)
10.	If a potty chair is used, it must be cleaned and sanitized after each use.	50-16(16)
11.	Body Fluids	50-16(17)
	The following steps must be taken when cleaning up a body fluid (other than soiled clothing and diaper changes). Body fluids include blood, urine, feces, vomit, mucus, saliva, and breast milk.	

D. The surface must be sanitized.

C. The surface must be rinsed with clean water.

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A. The person cleaning up the substance must wear waterproof gloves.B. The surface must be cleaned using a detergent solution.

- E. Any disposable materials (such as latex gloves, paper towels, or other absorbent materials) that were used to clean up the body fluid must be disposed of in a leakproof plastic bag.
- F. Any non-disposable materials (such as a cleaning cloth, mop, or re-usable rubber gloves) that were used to clean up the body fluid must be washed and sanitized before reuse.
- G. The person who cleaned up the body fluid must wash his or her hands.

#### 12. Handwashing

A. The Certificate holder must teach children proper handwashing techniques, and oversee handwashing whenever possible.

B. Providers must wash their hands: before handling or preparing food or bottles; before and after eating meals and snacks or feeding a child; after diapering a child; after using the toilet or helping a child use the toilet; after coming into contact with any body fluid; after playing with or handling animals; when coming in from outdoors; and before administering medication.

C. Children must wash their hands: before and after eating meals and snacks; after using the toilet; after coming into contact with any body fluid; after playing with animals; before engaging in play with water tables or tubs, and when coming in from outdoors.

D. During outdoor play time and on off-site activities when water is not available, 50-16(3) handwashing requirements can be met by using individual disposable wet wipes and hand sanitizer.

See Also "Animals" 2

#### INJURY TO A CHILD

See "Administration" 5; "Child Discipline" 3; "Maintenance" 1, 3; "Parent Notification" 2, 3, 5; "Supervision" 1.C

#### INJURY PREVENTION

- 1. In order for an item to be considered inaccessible to children, it must meet one of the following criteria.
  - A. Locked, such as in a locked room, cupboard, or drawer.
  - B. Secured with a child safety device, such as a child safety cupboard lock or doorknob device.
  - C. Behind a properly secured child safety gate.
  - D. Located in a cupboard or on a shelf more than 36 inches above the floor.
  - E. For bathrooms: not in any location in a bathroom where a child could reach, including by climbing on a toilet, bathtub, or counter. Bathroom drawers, cupboards, and medicine cabinets will be considered inaccessible to children no matter how low they are, if they have a child safety lock on them.
- 2. The following items must be inaccessible to children in care:

50-12(4)-(5)

- A. Firearms, ammunition, and other weapons. These must be locked up, with ammunition stored separately from firearms.
- B. Tobacco, open containers of alcohol, illegal substances, and sexually explicit material.
- C. When in use, portable space heaters, fireplaces, and wood burning stoves.

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- D. Toxic chemicals such as cleaners, insecticides, lawn products, and flammable substances. Toxic and hazardous chemicals must also be kept in a container that is labeled with its contents.
- E. Poisonous plants.
- F. Matches, cigarette lighters, and open flames.
- G. Sharp objects which could cut or puncture skin.
- H. For children under age four: ropes and cords such as those found on window blinds or drapery cords.
- I. For children age four and under: latex gloves, balloons, and empty plastic bags large enough for a child's head to fit inside.
- J. For children age two and under: objects that present a choking hazard (less than 1-1/4" x 2-1/4").

3.	For children age four and younger, electrical outlets and surge protectors must have	50-12(6)
	safety covers when they don't have something plugged into them.	
4.	Hot water that is accessible to children cannot be hotter than 120 degrees.	50-12(7)
5.	Areas accessible to children cannot have unstable heavy equipment a child could pull	50-12(3)
	down on themselves.	
6.	The indoor environment must be free of tripping hazards. For example, loose carpet or	50-12(2)

tile, or electrical cords in walkways.

See Also "Maintenance"; "Supervision" 1.C

#### KITCHEN INSPECTION

See "Records" 2.E

#### **KNIVES**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.G

#### **LEAD-BASED PAINT**

See "Indoor Environment" 1

#### CERTIFICATE HOLDER RESPONSIBILITIES

See "Administration"

#### **LIFEGUARD**

See "Activities" 3; "Outdoor Environment" 10.A.vii

#### LIGHTING

See "Indoor Environment" 5

#### LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT, KITCHEN INSPECTION

See "Records" 2.E

#### **MAINTENANCE**

1.	The home, furniture, toys, and equipment must be maintained in good repair and used	50-5(3)
	safely, to prevent injuries to children.	50-12(1)

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Entrances, exits, and walkways must be free of ice, snow, and other hazards.
 Outdoor play areas must be adequately maintained, to protect children's safety. For
 50-5(4)
 50-6(19)

example, unsafe broken equipment removed, no broken glass, etc.

See Also "Napping" 3; "Outdoor Environment" 10.A.vi; "Transportation" 1.C

#### **MATCHES**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.F

#### **MEALS**

See "Child Nutrition"; "Animals" 5; "Infant & Toddler Care" 8

#### **MEDICATION**

1. Providers must be trained in the rules for administering medication before they are allowed to administer medication to a child. Medication includes herbal remedies.

2. All medications (including over-the-counter and prescription medications) must be labeled with the child's name, kept in the original container, have the original label, and have child safety caps.

50-17(3)

3. Medications must be stored so that they are inaccessible to children. Medications which are stored in the refrigerator must be placed in a waterproof container, to prevent contamination between food and medication.

50-17(4)

50-17(2)

4. The Certificate holder must have a completed, signed permission form from the parent before administering any medication to a child. The permission form must include: the name of the medication; written instructions for administration including the dosage, the method of administration, the times and dates to be administered, and the disease or condition being treated; and the parent's signature and date signed.

50-17(5)

5. If the Certificate holder keeps a supply of over-the-counter medication in the home that is not brought in by a parent for their child, the medication cannot be given to a child without parental consent each time it is given. This consent must be either prior written consent, or verbal consent which the provider documents in writing (including the date and time of the consent), and which the parent signs when they pick up the child.

50-17(6)

- 6. Persons administering medication to a child must follow these steps:
  - A. Wash your hands.
  - B. If the parent supplies the medication, check the medication label to confirm the child's name.
  - C. If the parent supplies the medication, compare the instructions on the parent release form with the directions on the prescription label or product package, to ensure that a child is not given a dosage larger than that recommended by the doctor or the manufacturer. If the Certificate holder supplies the medication, check the product package to ensure that a child is not given a dosage larger than that recommended by the manufacturer.
  - D. Administer the medication.
  - E. Immediately record the following information: the date, time, and dosage of the medication given; the signature or initials of the provider who administered the medication; any errors in administration; and any reaction the child has to the medication.

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7. If a child has a negative reaction to a medication, the provider must notify the child's parent immediately, unless the reaction in life threatening. If the reaction is lifethreatening, the provider must notify emergency personnel first, and then notify the parent.

8. Medications cannot be kept in the Certificate holder's home for children who are no longer enrolled.

50-17(8)

See Also "Child Health" 3.B; "Infection Control" 12.B; "Records" 1.D

#### **MENUS**

See "Child Nutrition" 1

#### **NAPPING**

1.	Children must be given a daily opportunity for rest or sleep in a quiet area.	50-18(1)
2.	Scheduled nap times cannot be longer than two hours daily. (In other words, awake children cannot be required to lie down for a "nap time" that is longer than two hours.)	50-18(2)
3.	Sleeping equipment may not ever block exits.	50-18(3)
4.	Sleeping infants under 1 year of age must be monitored by either using a sleep monitoring device approved by the Bureau, checking on them every 15 minutes, or sleeping them within sight and hearing of a provider.	50-11(1)
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See Also "Diapering" 6; "Child Discipline" 4.E; "Infant & Toddler Care" 9

#### **ORIENTATION TRAINING**

See "Personnel" 6; "Records" 3.B, 4

Οl	JTDOOR ENVIRONMENT	
1.	If playground structures built before 1978 have flaking or peeling paint, they must be tested for lead. If lead is found, the situation must be corrected.	50-4(1)
2.	There must be an outdoor play area for children that is safely accessible from the home, and, for certificate holders who receive their initial certificate after 1 September 2008, it must have at least 40 square feet of play space per child.	50-6(1)-(2)
3.	The children's outdoor play area cannot have poisonous plants, harmful objects, toxic or hazardous substances, or standing water in it (except for temporary puddles after rain or watering the lawn).	50-6(5)
4.	Whenever children are using the outdoor play area, it must be free of animal excrement and trash.	50-6(6)
5.	The outdoor play area must have some shade for children. (For example, trees, awnings, or the side of the house.)	50-6(12)
6.	Children must have drinking water outdoors whenever it is 75 degrees or hotter. (For example, a pitcher and cups, or water bottles.)	50-6(13)
7.	Outdoor play areas must be adequately maintained to protect children's safety. (For example, no unsafe broken equipment, no broken glass, etc.)	50-6(19)
8.	Fences	
	A. The children's outdoor play area must be fenced behind a four foot fence or solid barrier if any of the following hazards exist (or else the hazard itself must be behind a	50-6(3)-(4) 50-6(10)-(11)

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four foot fence or solid barrier). If a fence is required and an existing Certificate holder doesn't already have one, the Certificate holder has until September 2011 to get one.

- i. If the home is located on a street (or within half a mile of a street) with more than two lanes of traffic, or a speed limit of more than 25 mph.
- ii. If there is livestock, dangerous machinery (such as farm equipment), or a drop-off of more than 5 feet within 50 yards of the Certificate holder's property line.
- iii. If there is a water hazard within 100 yards of the Certificate holder's property line.
- iv. If there is barbed wire within 30 feet of the children's play area.
- B. Fences cannot have any gaps in them that are greater than five inches.

#### 9. **Play Equipment** (Slides, swings, climbers, etc.)

50-2(13)

A. Outdoor play equipment must be placed over grass or 6" of ASTM approved cushioning.

50-2(22) 50-6(15)

- (i) Examples of acceptable cushioning material include: sand, pea gravel, or ASTM approved engineered wood fibers, shredded tires, or unitary cushioning material (such as rubber mats).
- (ii) If sand, gravel, or shredded tires are used as cushioning and the material becomes compacted, it must be loosened.
- B. There cannot be any of the following hazards on any piece of outdoor play equipment:

50-6(16)-(18)

- i. Entrapment hazards. (Opening greater than 3-1/2" by 6-1/4", but less than 9" in diameter where a child's feet cannot touch the ground.)
- Strangulation hazards. (Something a child's clothing could get caught on, or that could otherwise cause a child to strangle. For example, bolt ends sticking out, or open "S" type hooks.)
- iii. Protrusion hazards. (Something sticking out that could impale or cut a child if the child falls against it. For example, a screw end sticking out of a board.)
- iv. Crush hazards. (When two parts of a piece of play equipment come together in a way that they could crush a child's fingers, toes, or another body part.)
- v. Shearing hazards. (When two parts of a piece of play equipment move against each other in a way that could cut off a child's finger or another body part.)
- vi. Sharp edge hazards. (A sharp edge that a child's skin could be cut on.)

#### 10. Pools & Hot Tubs

50-6(7)-(9)

- A. If wading or swimming pools are used, or are on the property, the following rules apply:
  - i. A provider must always be at the pool supervising children when the pool has water in it and is accessible to children.
  - ii. Diapered children must wear swim diapers and rubber pants when they are in the pool.
  - iii. Wading pools must be emptied and sanitized after each use.
  - iv. Parents must give permission before their child can use the pool.
  - v. Swimming pools must be behind a four foot fence or have a power safety cover.
  - vi. The pool must be safely maintained and meet all state and local laws and regulations.
  - vii. If the pool is over six feet deep, there must be a certified lifeguard on duty when children use the pool.
- B. If there is a hot tub on the premises with water in it, it must either have a locked cover, or be behind a four foot fence.

#### 11. Trampolines

50-2(28)

50-6(14)

If there is a trampoline accessible to children, the following rules apply:

A. A provider must always be at the trampoline supervising children when they use it.

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- B. Only one person at a time can use the trampoline.
- C. Children cannot do flips or somersaults on the trampoline.
- D. The trampoline springs, hooks, and frame must be covered by shock absorbing pads.
- E. The trampoline must be placed on grass or 6" of ASTM approved cushioning, in a 6' use zone. A use zone is the area surrounding the piece of equipment.
- F. There cannot be any ladders near the trampoline.
- G. Children may not play under the trampoline when it is being used.
- H. Parents must sign a Department approved permission form before their child can use the trampoline.

See Also "Child Security" 1; "Infection Control" 12.D

#### OUTDOOR PLAY

See "Infection Control" 12.D; "Outdoor Environment"; "Supervision of Children" 1.C

#### **OUTDOOR PLAY EQUIPMENT**

See "Maintenance" 3; "Outdoor Environment" 7, 9, 10, 11

#### **PACIFIERS**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 8.G.ii

#### **PAPERWORK**

See "Records"

### PARENT NOTIFICATION

1.	The Bureau's Child Care Guide either must be placed where parents can see it (for example, posted on a bulletin board parents can see, or placed in the sign-in book), or else a copy of it must be given to each parent.	50-13(1)
2.	Parents must be notified within 24 hours of all incidents and injuries involving their child.	50-13(5)
3.	If a child has a life-threatening injury, or an injury that could result in a child losing vision, hearing, or a limb, the provider must call emergency personnel (911) immediately, before attempting to contact the parent. After emergency personnel have been called, the provider should then contact the parent, or the child's emergency contact person if the parent cannot be reached.	50-13(6)
	For injuries that may be serious, but are not life-threatening and would not result in a child losing vision, hearing, or a limb, the provider must contact the child's parent immediately. e Also "Infection Control" 3	50-13(7)

#### PARENT'S GUIDE TO RESIDENTIAL CERTIFICATE CHILD CARE

See "Parent Notification" 1

#### **PARENTS**

See "Activities" 2.A; "Administration" 4; "Animals" 1; "Child Health 3.B; "Child Security"; "Child Discipline" 1; "Infant & Toddler Care" 9.B, 9.D; "Infection Control" 2, 3, 9; "Child Nutrition" 1; "Medication" 4, 5, 6.B, 6.C, 7; "Outdoor Environment" 10.A.iv, 11.F; "Parent Notification"; "Personnel" 6.E; "Records" 1.A; "Supervision of Children" 2

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#### PERSONNEL

- 1. All providers must know and comply with the child care licensing rules, and any other applicable laws or rules in their area.
- 2. **Age Requirement**: Certificate holders, substitutes, and emergency substitutes must be at 50-7(1)-(2), (4) least 18 years of age.

#### 3. Annual Training Requirements

The Certificate holder and all substitutes who work 10 hours each week or more must complete 10 hours of training each year. Five of these hours must be face-to-face training. The following topics must be covered at least once every two years as part of this annual training.

50-7(3), (6)

- A. The current residential certificate rules found in Sections 11 through 24 of the rules.
- B. Signs, symptoms, and reporting requirements for child abuse and neglect.
- C. Child development, including brain development.
- D. Positive guidance.
- E. Preventing shaken baby syndrome and SIDS, and coping with crying babies, if the Certificate holder accepts infants or toddlers for care.

See Also "Records" 3.

#### 4. Emergency Substitutes

- A. In an unforeseeable emergency (for example, a medical emergency requiring immediate care at a hospital, or a lost child), an emergency substitute may be left with the children for up to 24 hours.
- B. The Certificate holder must make a reasonable effort to limit the time the emergency substitute has unsupervised contact with the children.
- C. The emergency substitute cannot have a criminal record, or a record of being investigated for child abuse or neglect by DCFS. The emergency substitute must sign a form verifying this before they are left with the children.

#### 5. First Aid & CPR Certification

50-7(3)

A. The Certificate holder must maintain current first aid and CPR Certification.

50-10(2)

B. Substitutes who work an average of 10 hours or more per week must maintain current first aid and CPR Certification.

#### 6. Orientation Training Requirements

All providers except emergency substitutes, and all volunteers, must complete orientation training before they being working with children. The orientation training must include these topics:

50-7(3), (5)

- A. The person's job responsibilities.
- B. The Certificate holder's emergency/disaster plan.
- C. The current residential certificate rules found in Sections 50-11 through 24 of the rules.
- D. An introduction to the children in care, including a review of the information in each child's health assessment.
- E. The procedures for making sure children are only released to people authorized by the parent.
- F. How to clean up body fluids.
- G. Signs, symptoms, and reporting requirements for child abuse and neglect.
- H. How to get assistance in emergencies.

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I. Preventing shaken baby syndrome and SIDS, and coping with crying babies, if the Certificate holder accepts infants or toddlers for care.

See Also "Records" 3.B, 4

#### 7. Substitutes

- A. Substitutes must be capable of supervising children and handling emergencies in the Certificate holder's absence.
- B. Substitutes who work an average of 10 hours per week or more must have first aid and CPR certification and 10 hours of annual training.

# 50-7(3)

#### 8. TB Testing

- A. All providers who provide care an average of 10 hours or more each week must have a TB test. The TB test must be done before licensure for the Certificate holder, and within two weeks of starting for substitutes.
- B. People with contagious TB cannot be present while children are in care.

See Also "Administration" 3, 6; "Background Screening"; "Records" 3, 4

Personnel Chart							
Certificate holder	Substitute	Emergency Substitute	Provider	Volunteer			
"Certificate holder" means the person holding a Department of Health child care certificate. 50-2(9) "Substitute" means a assumes the Certificate under this rule when to is not present. This in substitutes. 50-2(25)		ate holder's duties the Certificate holder includes emergency	"Provider" means the Certificate holder or a Substitute, including Emergency Substitutes. 50-2(15)	"Volunteer" means a person who provides direct care to a child but does not receive direct or indirect compensation for doing so. A			
,	cate holder, Substitut ays be present when	e, or Emergency ever a child is in care.	This is anyone in any of the ← previous columns.	volunteer is not included in the provider to child ratio. 50-2(29)			
		Requireme	nts				
Certificate holder	Substitute	Emergency Substitute	Provider	Volunteer			
<ul> <li>Background Check</li> <li>Current First Aid &amp; CPR</li> <li>TB Test</li> <li>10 Hours Annual Training</li> </ul>	Background     Check     Orientation     Training  In addition to the above, If they work an average of 10 hours per week or more:     Current First Aid & CPR     TB Test     20 Hours Annual Training	Signed declaration that they meet the background clearance requirement	Whatever requirements appear in the previous columns, depending on which category the "Provider" falls into (Certificate holder, Substitute, or Emergency Substitute.)	Background Check     Orientation Training			

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#### **PETS**

See "Animals"

#### PICKING CHILDREN UP

See "Child Security" 2, 3

#### **PLANTS, POISONOUS**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.E; "Outdoor Environment" 3

#### **PLASTIC BAGS**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.I

#### **POOLS**

See "Activities" 3; "Outdoor Environment" 10

#### **RATIOS**

1. The maximum allowed number of children in care is 8 children, including the providers' own children under the age of four. This number may be less than 8, if the Certificate holder does not have enough square footage (35 square feet per child) for 8 children.

50-11(4)-(5)

- 2. The Certificate holder must maintain a ratio of one provider for every eight children in care, including the providers' children under the age of four.
- 3. There can only be two children under age two in care at any one time.
- 4. Volunteers are not included in the provider to child ratio.

50-2(29)

See Also "Activities" 2.C, 3

#### **RECORDS**

#### 1. Child Records

The Certificate holder must keep the following child records, and they must be available whenever a Licensing Specialist comes to inspect. Also, no information in a child's file can be released without written permission from the parent.

50-9(2), (5) 50-6(14)(h)

- A. An admission form including: the child's name, birthdate, and enrollment date; the parent's contact information; who is authorized to pick up the child; who to contact in an emergency (besides the parent); child health information; and emergency treatment and transportation releases.
- B. Immunization records indicating the child is current in his or her immunizations (or has at least one dose of each vaccine, and is following a schedule to get caught up). Or, documentation of a legally valid exemption.
- C. A completed transportation permission form, if the child is transported while in care.
- D. Six weeks of medication permission and medication administration forms.
- E. A trampoline use permission form, if the provider has a trampoline children use.

#### 2. General Records

50-9(1)

The Certificate holder must keep the following general records, and they must be available whenever a Licensing Specialist comes to inspect.

- A. Fire and disaster drills for the past 12 months (fire drills once every 6 months, a disaster drill once a year).
- B. Animal vaccination records, if the Certificate holder has animals.

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- C. Child attendance records for the past six weeks.
- D. Any current variances the Certificate holder has from the Bureau.
- E. The initial background clearance forms for everyone age 12 and older who lives in the Certificate holder's home, and all other providers and volunteers.
- F. If the Certificate holder has been certified for more than a year, the most recent background screening renewal form and background screening disclosure form. Both forms must list everyone age 12 and older who lives in the Certificate holder's home, and all other providers and volunteers.

#### 3. Personnel Records

The Certificate holder must keep the following personnel records for the Certificate holder and all non-emergency substitutes. The records must be available whenever a Licensing Specialist comes to inspect.

50-9(3)

- A. TB screening results.
- B. Orientation training documentation.
- C. Annual training documentation for the past two years.
- D. First aid and CPR certification (for the Certificate holder and all substitutes who work 10 hours a week or more.)
- 4. The Certificate holder must keep documentation of orientation training for all volunteers.

50-9(4)

#### **ROPES**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.H; "Infant & Toddler Care" 9.C

#### **RODENTS**

See "Cleaning" 1

#### SAFETY HAZARDS

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 2, 3, 6, 8.D, 8.F, 8.J, 9.B, 9.C, 9.D, 9.E; "Injury Prevention"; "Maintenance"; "Outdoor Environment" 2, 7.A, 9.C, 10, 11

#### **SANITIZE**

See "Cleaning" 2, 4; "Diapering" 3.A, 4; "Infant & Toddler Care" 8.E, 8.G.ii; "Infection Control" 6, 7, 11.D; "Outdoor Environment" 10.A.iii

#### SCISSORS, ADULT

See "Injury Prevention" 2.G

#### **SEAT BELTS**

See "Transportation" 1.B, 2.C

#### **SEXUAL ABUSE**

See "Administration" 6; "Background Screening" 1; "Child Health" 1; "Personnel" 3.B, 4.C, 6.G

#### SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIALS

See "Child Health" 2: "Injury Prevention" 2.B

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#### SHADE

See "Outdoor Environment" 5

#### SHARP OBJECTS

See "Injury Prevention" 2.G; "Outdoor Environment" 7, 8.B.vi

#### SICK CHILDREN

See "Infection Control" 1, 2, 3

### SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome)

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 9.D; "Personnel" 3.E, 6.I

#### **SLEEPING, SLEEP EQUIPMENT**

See "Napping"; "Infant & Toddler Care" 9; "Supervision" 1.B

#### **SMOKING**

See "Child Health" 2; "Injury Prevention" 2.B

#### **SNACKS**

See "Child Nutrition"; "Animals" 5; "Infant & Toddler Care" 8

#### **SNOW REMOVAL**

See "Maintenance" 2

#### **SPACE**

See "Indoor Environment" 6; "Infant & Toddler Care" 6; "Outdoor Environment" 2

#### **SPACE HEATERS**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.C

#### **SQUARE FOOTAGE**

See "Indoor Environment" 6; "Outdoor Environment" 2; "Ratios" 1

#### STRANGULATION HAZARDS

See "Injury Prevention" 2.H; "Outdoor Environment" 9.C.ii

#### **STYROFOAM**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 3

#### **SUBSTITUTES**

See "Administration" 3; "Emergency Preparedness" 2; "Infection Control" 4; "Personnel" 2, 3, 4, 5.B, 6, 7, 8; "Records" 3

#### **SUPERVISION OF CAREGIVERS & VOLUNTEERS**

See "Administration" 1, 2, 6

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#### SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN

1. The Certificate holder must ensure that all children are directly supervised by a provider at 50-11(1)-(2) all times. This includes:

50-11(3)

- A. Knowing where each child is, and being near enough to each child to intervene if needed.
- B. Monitoring sleeping infants under 1 year of age by either using a sleep monitoring device approved by the Bureau, checking on them every 15 minutes, or sleeping them within sight and hearing of a provider.
- C. Actively supervising children during outdoor play to minimize the risk of injury. This means being outside when children are playing outside, except that school age children may play outdoors without a provider, if the outdoor play area is completely fenced inside a 4 foot fence, and a provider can hear the children who are outside.
- 2. Children may leave the Certificate holder's home to participate in off-site activities without the provider (for example, playing at a friend's house, music lessons), if the Certificate holder has prior written permission from the parent, and the Certificate holder has clearly assigned responsibility for the child to another adult who accepts that responsibility.

See Also "Infection Control" 1; "Transportation" 2

#### SURGE PROTECTORS

See "Injury Prevention" 3

#### SWIMMING

See "Activities" 3; "Outdoor Environment" 10

#### TB (TUBERCULOSIS) TESTING

See "Infection Control" 4, 5; "Personnel" 8; "Records" 3.A

#### **TELEPHONE**

See "Administration" 4; "Emergency Preparedness" 1

#### **TEMPERATURE**

See "Indoor Environment" 4; "Infant & Toddler Care" 8.J; "Injury Prevention" 4; "Transportation" 1.D

#### **TOBACCO**

See "Child Health" 2; "Injury Prevention" 2.B

#### TOILETS, TOILETING, TOILET PAPER

See "Child Discipline" 4.E; "Indoor Environment" 2; "Infection Control" 8, 9, 10, 12.B, 12.C; "Injury Prevention" 1.E

#### **TOOTHBRUSHES**

See "Infection Control" 6

#### TOXIC / HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

See "Injury Prevention" 2.D; "Outdoor Environment" 3

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#### **TOYS**

See "Activities" 1; "Cleaning" 2, 3, 4; "Infant & Toddler Care" 7; "Maintenance" 1

#### TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

See "Administration" 6; "Medication" 1; "Personnel" 3, 6; "Records" 3.B, 3.C, 4

#### **TRAMPOLINES**

See "Outdoor Environment" 11

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

1. Any vehicle used for transporting children must:

50-21(1)

- A. be enclosed (have a roof).
- B. have properly installed, working seat belts and car seats (depending on the ages of the children transported).
- C. be clean and safe, and have a current vehicle registration.
- D. maintain temperatures between 60-90 degrees when in use.
- 2. Each adult who transports children must:

50-21(2)

- A. have with them a current valid Utah driver's license.
- B. have with them copy of each child's admission form.
- C. ensure that each child is restrained either in a seat belt or car seat, depending on the age of the child.
- D. ensure that children are not left unattended in the vehicle.
- E. ensure that children remain seated while the vehicle is in motion.
- F. ensure that keys are never left in the ignition when the driver is not in the driver's seat.
- G. ensure that the vehicle is locked during transport.

See Also "Child Health" 2; "Records" 1.A, 1.C

#### TRASH, TRASH CONTAINER

See "Diapering" 3.C; "Outdoor Environment" 4

#### TRIPPING HAZARDS

See "Injury Prevention" 6

#### **USE ZONE**

See "Outdoor Environment" 11.G

#### **VACCINATIONS**

See "Animals" 2; "Child Health" 3.A; "Records" 1.B

#### **VEHICLES**

See "Child Health" 2; "Transportation" 1

#### **VOLUNTEERS**

See "Background Screening" 1; "Personnel" 4; "Ratios" 5; "Records" 2.G, 2.H, 4

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#### **WADING POOLS**

See "Outdoor Environment" 10.A

#### **WALKERS**

See "Infant & Toddler Care" 2

# WATER, DRINKING

See "Outdoor Environment" 6

# WATER, HAZARDS

See "Injury Prevention" 4; "Outdoor Environment" 2, 8.A.iii, 10

# **WATER, PLAY**

See "Infection Control" 7, 12.C

#### **WINDOWS**

See "Indoor Environment" 3; "Injury Prevention" 2.H

# **WOOD BURNING STOVES**

See "Injury Prevention" 2.C

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